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TERMS:
Two Dollars, if paid in advance. If not paid within three months, the price will be increased to Three Dollars. If not paid until the end of the year, the price will be increased to Four Dollars. All advertisements inserted at One Dollar per line for the first insertion, and 25 cents for each subsequent insertion. Court advertisements charged 25 cents higher; and a deduction of 33 1/3 per cent. is made from the regular price, for advertisements by the year.

Major R. M. Cochran is appointed as adjutant for the Journal, and is authorized to receive and give receipts in my name. T. J. H.

WEEKLY ALMANAC.
JANUARY 1838. Moon's Phases.
Jan. 1. 12 35.5 33. For February, 1838.
Jan. 2. 12 36.5 34. First 1 12 16.5 35.
Jan. 3. 12 37.5 35. Full 9 9 36.5 36.
Jan. 4. 12 38.5 36. Last 17 17 37.5 37.
Jan. 5. 12 39.5 37. New 24 6 38.5 38.

NOTICE.
DRESSING necessarily compels me again to request persons indebted to me by account, to call and settle before or during next week, as I am determined to close my shop in the 1st of the present year.
E. A. WALLACE.
Jan. 7, 1838.

NOTICE.
ALL those indebted to me for 1837, are requested to come forward and settle Cash or Note. The Cash would be much preferred, as it is the only thing that I pay my debts.
I continue to keep a fine assortment of
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NOTICE.
THE Wardens of the Poor of this county will meet in Charlotte, on Monday the 19th inst, at 2 o'clock, (at Mr. B. Oates' brick office) for the purpose of appointing suitable persons to take charge of the Poor House for the present year. All persons wishing the appointment will hand in their proposals in writing, at the above-named time and place.
BENJ. MORROW,
WM. LICKY,
D. R. HENDERSON,
D. T. CALDWELL,
T. L. HUTCHISON.
Meeting on Jan. 7, 1838.

LOST.
SILVER in Charlotte or between Charlotte and Harrisburg P. O. on the Saturday next, a large Calikin Pocket Book, containing two Notes and one due bill on Nathan Orr, to the amount of about eleven dollars—the notes are made payable to J. M. Harris; one blank note payable to Wm. N. Harris, signed by myself as principal, and J. M. T. Alexander as security; also some small silver change. The finder shall receive my thanks if he will send me information so that I can get it.
JESSE W. HARRIS.
Feb. 2, 1838.

NOTICE.
The subscriber returns his sincere thanks for the very liberal encouragement he has received since he commenced business in Charlotte, and he hopes by fair dealing and attention to business, still to receive the same, he would say to his friends and customers, that he has on hand a good assortment of
Groceries, Liquors, Wines, &c.
Also a supply of
Fresh Garden Seed, (new crop.)
—AND—
On hand constantly, a supply of
Wheat, Oats, Corn, BACON, LARD, and FLOUR.
All of the above articles sold low for CASH only.
GEORGE CROSS.
Jan. 31, 1838.

NOTICE.
BACON! BACON!!
In the Town of Charlotte.
The subscriber has imported 450 head of fine Tennessee Hogs, which he offers for sale at the Morrisian Smoke House, on reasonable terms. The planters of Mecklenburg county and the adjoining country, wishing to buy BACON, will do well to call and examine for themselves. Any one wishing to purchase will find the Subscriber at Col. Alexander's tavern.
H. L. HALE.
Jan. 27, 1838.

WARRANTEE DEEDS
FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.

NOTICE.
ALL those indebted to the firm of Lide & Kerr are requested to come forward and settle by Cash by the 15th of February next, as the situation of the concern is such as not to admit of indulgence. Those who do not avail themselves of this notice may expect to settle with an officer.
G. W. KERR,
Sole Proprietor of
LIDE & KERR.
Jan. 29, 1838.

NOTICE.
ALL persons are forwarded trading for a Note of hand given to William Carson, for \$300, dated January 7th, 1837, and payable twelve months after date, as the property for which said note was given has proved unsound, and I am determined not to pay it unless compelled to do so by law.
WM. B. SHARPE.
Jan. 27, 1838.

NOTICE.
ALL persons indebted to Thomas Charles are hereby notified that his Notes and Accounts are in my hands for collection, by virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to me on the 29th instant. All those indebted are requested to call on me immediately and close their accounts.
M. W. ALEXANDER, Trustee.
Jan. 31, 1838.

NOTICE.
BY virtue of a Deed of Trust to me, executed by H. D. W. Alexander, I will proceed to sell at the Courthouse, on Tuesday of the County Court, the 23d instant, the following property:
Several tracts of land, lying on Mallard Creek, known as the Andrew Wallace and Peter Steel tracts, &c.
7 LIKELY NEGROES,
All his Household and Kitchen Furniture, One Four Wheel Carriage,
One small Wagon,
One Horse and a good Milch Cow & Calf, and several other articles too tedious to mention.

Terms made known on the day of sale. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.
DAN ALEXANDER.
Jan. 2, 1838.

Postponement.
The above Sale is postponed until the Tuesday of the Superior Court, (the 20th day of February next.)
DAN ALEXANDER, Trustee.
Jan. 23, 1838.

Valuable Negro FOR SALE.
IN pursuance of an order made by the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions at January Session, 1838, I will expose to public sale for Cash, at the Courthouse in Charlotte, on the 1st Monday in April next, a likely negro boy by the name of GEORGE, who has been confined in the Jail of this County since the 9th December, 1836.
J. McCONAUGHEY, Sheriff.
Jan. 22, 1838.

MACDUFF,
THAT well known and thorough bred Horse, will make his next Spring Season at Salisbury and Concord, spending one half of his time at each place, and will render service at the very low price of \$20 the Season, and \$30 to insure a colt. The Season to commence the 1st of March, and end the 1st of July.
The subscriber deeming a newspaper puff of no advantage to a horse that is so well known, and so fully able to recommend himself as McDUFF certainly will merely state that he is a beautiful chestnut, full 15 hands 3 1/2 inches high, and was got by the famous running horse Washington, he by Timoleon, he by the justly celebrated horse Old Sir Archy; McDuff's dam Perfection, was got by Old Sir Archy; her dam by Bell's Old Florizel, her gran dam by Bell Air; her great gran dam by Colar; her great gran dam by the imported horse Why Not, which was a thorough bred mare, &c. &c., tracing to the finest stock of England. As to McDuff's racing performances, see Turf Register, vol. I, pages 562, 564, 565. Vol. II, pages 145, 251, 254, 303. Vol. III, pages, 99, 109, 314, 369, from which it will appear that he was a long time on the turf and competed with some of the best horses in America, always with credit, although notoriously in unskillful hands. View him and you will be delighted with his beauty and symmetry of form—Try him and you will be pleased with his colts.
WM. P. JOHNSON.
January 20, 1838.

To the Public!
THE Subscriber still continues to carry on the **PAINTING BUSINESS** in all its branches, viz:
Plain and Ornamental House Painting, Sign and Flag
All orders executed with neatness and dispatch.
H. D. W. ALEXANDER.
Charlotte, Jan. 1, 1838.

From the New York Whig.
Mr. Webster and the Hartford Convention.—There never was a more groundless calumny than that which charges Mr. Webster with being connected, in any way or form, with the Hartford Convention. The Hartford Convention was held in the winter of 1814-15. Mr. Webster was then a member of Congress. Congress assembled, on the proclamation of Mr. Madison, in September, and Mr. Webster was in his seat early in the session. When he left New Hampshire, where he then lived, no proposal had been made by any State to hold any Convention; nor had such a project been agitated; it is believed, by any person. The Government of the State of New Hampshire had no part in the Convention. Two counties on the river sent delegates, but, as a State, New Hampshire had no concern in it. Mr. Webster remained at Washington through the session, or until one of its last days, until the Hartford Convention was over, and until the news of peace arrived. When at home, his residence was at Portsmouth, a hundred miles from the counties which sent delegates. Thus, neither from Mr. Webster's location, when at home, nor from his public station and employment, at the time the Convention was held, could he have had any connection with this body, unless by correspondence; and, after twenty years' search, not a scrap of a pen can be found which shows the slightest connexion of Mr. Webster with the Convention, or any of its proceedings. The truth is, he was never consulted in respect to the propriety of holding this Convention, and he never gave it the least aid or countenance. The country is challenged, the members of the Hartford Convention now in Van Buren's ranks are challenged, to disavow a single word of this statement.

As to the published proceedings of the Convention, Mr. Webster himself thus speaks, in his celebrated speech, delivered in 1830, in reply to Col. Hayne: "I have nothing to do, sir, with the Hartford Convention. Its journal, which the gentleman has quoted, I never read. So far as those proceedings can be shown to be disloyal to the Constitution, or tending to dissolve, so far I shall be as ready as any one to bestir on them reprehension and censure." In the face of these facts, which have been substantially stated in the public prints over and over again, for the last fifteen years, and never contradicted, what man hereafter will be as void of all fairness and decency as to charge Mr. Webster with having been connected with, or giving aid or countenance to, the Hartford Convention? We shall see.

From the Connecticut Courant.
"Great Men Think Alike."—Many persons have been at a loss to ascertain who General Jackson had made his model as a statesman. As a hero, it was natural to suppose he had copied, as far as the different circumstances of the cases would admit, no less a personage than Napoleon Bonaparte. But we believe very few have ever imagined that he had derived any of his political sentiments or notions from that source; and, above all, that his peculiar ideas of banks and banking were from the head of the great Corsican Imperial School. But a late French work by Baron Pelt, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, and, under Bonaparte, a member of the Council of State, where he had abundant opportunity to become acquainted with the sentiments and opinions of that distinguished character, discloses some information on this subject that is worthy of attention. The work in which we have alluded contains many of those opinions; one of which we have copied for the amusement as well as the instruction of our readers. It may perhaps have a tendency to lessen their respect for General Jackson as an original genius; but it will show, at the same time, that he modelled his opinions by a lofty standard—one who was "born to command," and who suffered no ordinary obstruction to check his career in the race of glory, and no scruples to hinder his progress in the path of ambition and power. It would seem that Bonaparte was troubled, among other things by a national bank. He found it difficult to manage this moneyed power. The following are his sentiments in relation to such an institution in his own jurisdiction: "With respect to the nomination of the governor of the bank, I do not think it right that I should name a set of candidates to the committee of shareholders; for their proceeding will limit and embarrass my choice, besides placing me in a degrading position before the committee."

"The very worst I can submit to is, that the committee name a governor of the bank, subject to my approbation, as in the case of the Academiens. I must insist, however, in being the master in all that I meddle with, especially in all that concerns the bank, which, after all, is most more the Emperor's affair than that of the shareholders, since it is he who sanctions their edicts moneyed power. The bank had well nigh fallen into the hands of an enemy of Mr. Pitt—Mr. Talon; and it was necessary to ward off the danger, which showed that the influence of the public subscription in the bank elections was too small. We must, therefore, place in the management of this institution a race of men who are strangers to the bank."

General Jackson's sentiments respecting merchants, especially those who trade on borrowed capital, are well known. He has no charity for such persons. Bonaparte, as we entertained opinions somewhat peculiar respecting merchants who were as unfortunate as to have become insolvent—"I think too," said this enlightened statesman, "that every bankrupt ought to be considered fraudulent, until it has been ascertained that it was not so. The instant that a failure takes place, the bankrupt should either be put into the public prison, or confined to his own house, as the judge might see fit; and he should not be permitted to resume business before he should have paid all his creditors in full."

These quotations seem to show that the maxim at the head of this article is founded in truth. The probability is that General Jackson was not acquainted with Bonaparte's sentiments respecting banks and banking, and yet the similarity is so striking, that it cannot be accounted for, except upon the ground that the opinions and thoughts of great men are apt to run in the same track.

From the Raleigh Register.
NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER.
The Printing Office of the "NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER" is, perhaps, at this moment, the largest in the United States, and so far exceeds any calculation which even a practical Printer would, without seeing it, be likely to make of its extent, that we shall perhaps gratify our readers by publishing the following particulars from a Memorandum furnished by a friend who has visited that Establishment within the last week:

"The 'NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER,' though it employs less than one-fourth of the whole manual and mechanical force of the Office in which it is printed, is the soul of the establishment, and has never been as prosperous as it now is. The number printed of the Daily paper (83 quires of paper) is 1,392; and, the number printed of the three-week paper (300 quires) is 7,200—making the whole number of papers issued on the alternate days 9,192—the whole number printed per week, 33,532. Some deduction must be made from this number for waste and for the free exchange list. The aggregate number of subscribers to the Daily and Country paper may, after all necessary deductions, be stated at this time at 8,750—nearly double of what it amounted to at any period prior to the year 1833. [It is larger by a few hundred, of course, during the Session of Congress, when additional copies are taken by members of the National and State Legislatures, than it is in the Summer season.] Around the National Intelligencer, however, has grown up a workshop of printing machinery and materials, capable of executing a greater amount of work in that Office, alone, than forty years ago, could have been executed in all the Printing Offices of the United States together; and which is now pretty busily employed, inasmuch as, besides several other works carrying on there, the Printing of the House of Representatives is executed in that Office for Mr. Allen, of the 'Madisonian,' the Public Printer. The number of persons, whom our informant saw actually employed there (including the Bindery attached to the Office), was about two hundred, of whom about fifty are females—folding, sewing, &c.—who thus earn a living by employment comparatively easy and grateful to them. The amount of wages alone, paid in this establishment weekly, now exceeds \$1,500! The Presses, all of which are moved by Steampower, (except two or three hand Presses seldom called into use at all) consist of one double-cylinder Napier Press, two single-cylinder Presses, two Adams Presses and four Treadwell Presses; the whole, capable of printing per day (rating ten hours to the day) 320 sheets, each taken containing 940 sheets; and are capable, when all at full work, of using up paper to the amount of 500 Reams per week. As, however, all but the Treadwell Presses are adapted to double Royal size, the consumption of paper of the usual size (single Royal), of which they are capable, per week, would be about 900 Reams. Of course, we must be understood as speaking of the quantity of work which the Presses can be made to turn out, and not of what they habitually execute—such masses of Printing being rarely required to be executed within so limited a time as to call for their employment to the full extent of their capacity."

NEW YORK, JAN. 27.
Railroad accident and remarkable escape.—As the two o'clock train of cars from Newark was rounding Bergen Hill, yesterday, at the highest declivity of the road, the locomotive ran off the track lacking a diagonal course across the opposite track to the south side of the road, which was guarded by a stone wall four feet thick. The engine forced the wall down a declivity of from 30 to 40 feet a distance of nearly a rod, the three succeeding cars following, and the 4th and 5th cars taking a slant to the north side of the road, where no wall guarded from danger, and rubbing within one foot of the declivity. The preservation of nearly seventy lives, and the escape of every car from going over the precipice, were owing to the check given to the locomotive by the wall, and to the slow progress of the cars at the time. The locomotive was much injured by the concussion, but neither the passenger cars nor passengers received any harm.

Electro Magnetism in Illinois.—It is stated by the Canton Herald, that Mr. McPherson, of that place, is now erecting a flooring mill, a cotton oil press, and a machine for sawing lumber, all to be propelled by electro-magnetism.

In the garden of olives at Jerusalem, eight olive trees are now standing which are proved by historical documents to have been there anterior to the taking of the city by the Turks, and must consequently be at least 800 years old.

Interesting from Texas.

From the Western Carolinian.
Cerrito, Houston, (Texas) Jan. 5, 1838.
To Charles Fisher, Esq. N. C.

MY VERY DEAR SIR: You have probably heard that Mexico had again invaded Texas. We received the same intelligence, and in such a way, and apparently so confirmed, that for a short time it was generally credited here. All the excitement and activity produced by this news, subsided immediately on our receiving certain advices from the western frontier; and we now are in our usual manner pursuing, as briskly as ever, our regular business. And let me here mention in evidence of the rare sagacity which Gen. Houston possesses, that he never fully believed we were invaded by the Mexicans, in any considerable force; although the intelligence brought by the express Rodriguez from San Antonio, was apparently much confirmed by that from Matamoros via New Orleans. And he assured me while taking every step which the circumstances justified and demanded, that he could not credit the news; that it might possibly be true; but if so, he was greatly deceived in his calculation. But to return.

Information reached this city several days since, that a body of Mexicans had encamped in San Patricio. Almost immediately on the heels of this intelligence, an express arrived from San Antonio, stating that he left Karnes and his men fighting hand to hand with the Mexicans in the streets of San Antonio; that he himself attempted to re-enter the city where his wife and children were, but was repulsed, pursued and shot at by some Mexicans. Almost at the same time, news came from New Orleans, purporting to be intelligence from Matamoros, of some hundred Mexicans having crossed the Rio Grande for the purpose of commencing the invasion of Texas. Matters of course were a very serious aspect; but so far from their being any alarm on this occasion, almost every man's heart bounded at the prospect of a renewal of hostilities, which should terminate finally the war with Mexico. A determined and active spirit—an almost exulting spirit—animated the entire population. The militia and volunteer corps were speedily organized and in readiness to march at a moment's warning. The city of Houston furnished on this occasion a militia muster-roll of more than 800 effective fighting men—a force of itself sufficient to sweep with the beam of destruction the valley of the Rio Grande, from the sources to the mouth of that river, and to plant in permanent security the star of Texas in the *plazuela* of Matamoros. When to this are added the forces which can be brought into the field from the other towns of the Republic and from the country, Mexico should heed well the voice which warns her to counsel for her own safety. But our policy is peace, that we may cultivate our lands in security and quiet; and our Chief Magistrate pursues with great care a course calculated to prevent a renewal of hostilities—to avoid all causes of aggression on either side—to husband and augment our resources, and to put our finances on a solid basis, that we may possess within ourselves, in the simplest degree, the means of self-defence, and the benefits of a well organized civil government. Were the citizens of Texas disposed to establish a military, or rather predatory, republic, they could soon organize a force that should push its victorious arms to the walls of Mexico, and plunder that ancient city. But as I before observed, peace is our policy, and peace, with a well regulated and solidly based civil institutions, is the desire of a large portion of our citizens; and nothing but aggression from Mexico will drive them from the steady pursuit of this purpose.

During the excitement recently produced by the news of a Mexican invasion, two most important facts were developed. One is, that all our acts and all our counsels demonstrated that every Texian feels he has now a government to rally under—one under which to be organized, and for which he was as ready to peril battle as for his broad leagues. We all felt that we possessed established institutions to fight for; that a second Mexican invasion will not find society in its elements, and requiring the peculiar organization of revolutionary movements; but a government compact and strong for the purposes of war, and resting on the solid basis of a nation's choice.

The other important fact developed on this occasion, to which I alluded, is this:—We felt that we not only have institutions and a country worth fighting for, but that we possess within our borders sufficient men and ample means to contend successfully against any force that Mexico, under any circumstances, could send against us. At the time it was supposed that Mexicans were pouring in upon our western frontier, I did not hear the idea of calling in volunteers from the United States (as was formerly done) even alluded to, except on a single occasion, and then for the purpose of being distinctly repudiated. The voice of the citizens was unanimous in the opinion that the Mexicans were to be met west of

the Columbia, and out of their hands
the Columbia, and out of their hands
the Columbia, and out of their hands

It is my opinion that the war is not yet
at an end with Mexico, but future battles
will be fought with Texas, and Texas
will be our western frontier; and if our
victories are not carried far into
Mexico, perchance to the walls of the
capital, the enemy will owe it to our
courage, not to our inability.

You may think I speak vaguely on
these subjects, but you are aware that my
attention enables me to know the opinions
of those who direct, and those who act; of
the officers, civil and military; and of the
citizens generally.

You wish to know something of our
finances. The bonds of Texas are of two
sorts; the certificate of stock in the Funded
Debt; and the Treasury drafts, usually called
promissory notes. The funded debt
draws an interest of ten per cent. per annum,
payable semi-annually after the present year,
and redeemable in 1842, or so soon thereafter
as may suit the convenience of the Govern-
ment. The debt already funded, and Govern-
ment liabilities in the form of military
scrips, issued and subject to be funded, a-
mount to between a million and a half and
two millions of dollars, in the aggregate.

By the act of the 9th June, '37, the
emission of \$500,000 was authorized for the
payment of the Civil List (so called) and
contingencies. It is issued in the form of
promissory notes of different denominations
of from \$5 to \$500 value. The late act
paying actual services in the field in pro-
mossory notes, authorized the emission of an
additional \$150,000 if needed for this pur-
pose; amounting in all to \$650,000. About
\$475,000 of promissory notes have been paid
out. Of this sum, however, a considerable
portion has found its way back into the Treas-
ury. For the redemption of these promissory
notes, which I had forgotten to mention,
bear an interest of 10 per cent. per annum,
are pledged the receipt of customs of the
Land Office, the sales of Galveston Island
lands belonging to Mexicans, and confiscated
for their having quit the country and
joined the enemy. By law, nothing but
gold, silver, and the promissory notes, are
receivable for public dues. At Galveston,
during the quarter just ended, about \$30,-
000, I understand have been received in
the custom house, and about \$25,000 during
the same time at Velasco—or at the rate
of \$200,000 per annum and upwards, at
these two custom houses alone—and the re-
ceipts are increasing. I am, too, of the
opinion that the Land Office will in a twelve-
month absorb, or nearly so, the entire e-
mission. I leave out of view the sales of
Galveston Island lands, which, at the rates
of those already sold, will amount to between
\$100,000 and \$300,000;—and the con-
fiscated lands which are among the best in
Texas, and of immense value. From in-
quiry and estimates made with gentlemen
intimately conversant with this subject, I
am clearly of opinion that the means hy-
pothecated for the redemption of the \$650,-
000 would fully authorize a government
longer established to make an issue of \$3,-
000,000 *pro rata*, or redeemable dollar for
dollar; which is half a million of dollars
more than the aggregate of the funded debt
and promissory notes—or, the entire debt
of Texas. But from conversations with
members of Congress and gentlemen of the
Cabinet, I feel pretty sure that no addition-
al emission will be authorized for some time
to come; for we are determined to place the
credit of our notes on an elevated and per-
manent basis, by keeping our issues great-
ly within our means of redemption; and I
do not anticipate any important legislation,
if any at all, by our next Congress on our
finances.

Our currency has been regularly acquir-
ing the confidence of our fellow-citizens, and
it is now preferred to any other paper, ex-
cept of the United States Bank, or of some
of the New Orleans Banks. It is, however,
I understand at a considerable discount in
New Orleans.

One of the best evidences of the increas-
ing prosperity of any country, is an advance
in the price of land. This has been so no-
ticeably the case in Texas, that the Presi-
dent, by proclamation, has advanced the
minimum price of our public lands from 50
cents to \$1.50 per acre, to make it corre-
spond with the augmented value of private
lands.

Of the climate and soil of Texas, I have
written you so fully in former letters, I need
not say anything. The bottoms of the Bra-
scoe, La Brea, San Bernard, &c., must, from
their tropical sun and the amazing fertility
of the soil, be unhealthy for whites. The
balance of the country, not bottom land, is
I believe, as healthy as our own old Rowan.

My letter has already extended to an un-
warrantable length, but I will make a re-
mark or two on one subject before closing:
I allude to the calumnies so lavishly heaped
on our Executive Chief, Gen. Houston. These
have been believed because not dissem-
inated worthy of special contradiction; for his
friends here, knowing his strength and popu-
larity too, among the citizens of Texas, give
themselves but little trouble about the
opinion of the United States respecting him.
He has been represented as imbecile in body
and intellect;—a moral and physical wreck.
Never was calumny more false. His health
has certainly been impaired by privations

and exposures; but he possesses, at this mo-
ment, more physical force—stronger his
intellect of consequence, more his energy,
—than thirty years ago. He is still capable of en-
during fatigue, privation and watching in a
most extraordinary degree. As regards his
mind, he is still in the prime of his intellect.
I speak from history and my own observa-
tion, when I say he is a warrior of re-
nowned valor and chivalry; he possesses a
most rare sagacity and practical sense;—is
imbued, as far as men discover motives
by an intuition single to his country's wel-
fare. His bearing is that of the most lofty
and princely country; and he is singularly
endowed to his personal friends; and despite
all that has been said to the contrary, I be-
lieve him the most popular man in Texas.
The statements of his being a madman and
cutting tall antics before high Heaven and
men, are utterly and gratuitously false.

My warmest salutations to Mrs. F. and
family and believe me as ever,
Your old friend,
ASHBEL SMITH.

MR. PRENTISS' SPEECH.
From the Correspondence of the New York Courier
and Enquirer.

It is impossible for me to give you an
idea of Mr. Prentiss' speech. The follow-
ing is a brief and imperfect sketch of his
peroration. His utterance is uncommonly
rapid; voice good; his enunciation distinct;
his manner when excited, impressive, for-
cible, commanding. When about to close,
he said—

"Sir, is there a State in this Union, that
would submit to have her right of choosing
her own Representatives torn from her
and a Representative, not of her choice,
palmed upon her, by a decision of this house?
What says Massachusetts? 'From the
cradle in which young Liberty was first
nursed; even from old Faneuil Hall comes
forth her ready answer.'—'It was for this
very right of representation our fathers
fought the battles of the revolution, and ere
we will surrender this dear bought right,
these battles shall again become stern real-
ities.'"

"Would Kentucky submit? Ask her,
Mr. Speaker, and her very mammoth can-
non will find a voice to thunder in your ear
her stern response. 'No; sooner than
submit to such an outrage, our soil shall be
re-baptized with a new claim to the proud
but melancholy title of—the dark and bloody
ground.'"

"What says Virginia, with her high,
stern device, her *sic semper tyrannis*, the
proudest motto that ever blazed upon a war-
rior's shield, or a nation's arms? 'How
would she brook such usurpation? What
says the mother of States, and of State right
doctrines; she who has placed instruction
as a guardian over representation, to the
proposition, that this house can make a Re-
presentative for a State, and force it upon
her, against her choice and will?'"

"And where is South Carolina, the Har-
ry Perry of the Union; though there lives
not the Harry of Monmouth, who can pluck
from her brow the laurel, which she has so
nobly won in many a well fought field? On
which side, in this controversy does she
couch her lance and draw her good blade?
I trust upon the side of her sister State; up
on the side too, of the Constitutional rights
of all the States. And let her lend all her
strength of her good arm to the blow, when
she strikes in so just and righteous a quarrel."

"Sir, twenty five States sit here in judg-
ment upon the most sacred right of a sister
State. Should your decision be against her,
you tear her brightest jewel from her brow,
and forever bow her head in shame and
dishonor."

"But if this be your determination, I have
but one request on her behalf, to make.
When you decide that she cannot choose
her Representatives, on this floor, at the
same moment blot from the tangled banner
of the Union the bright star that glit-
ters to the name of Mississippi, but leave
the stripe behind—a fit emblem of her de-
gradation."

A Thrilling Incident.—The packet ship
Washington, which recently arrived from
Calcutta, had on board the largest anaconda
ever imported into this country. The ani-
mal was enclosed in a large box, and for one
hundred and thirty days had not partaken of
food or drink. With a view of gratifying
the curiosity of one of the custom-house
officers, the captain proceeded with him into
the hold of the vessel, and with an axe re-
moved the top of the box in which the reptile
was incarcerated. She was coiled in corn-
ucated folds around her eggs, which were
evidently undergoing the process of hatch-
ing. Not content with the spectacle thus
presented, they must needs know how many
oviparous articles were couched under the
animal, and the axe was used to remove
part of her body from the eggs. Soon as
the attempt was made the anaconda became
furious and quick as thought darted its gap-
ing jaws towards the custom-house function-
ary, enclosing his head, (which, by the by,
is not a small one,) within the vortex.

The captain, with great presence of mind, thrust
the axe into the mouth of the monster—in
so doing narrowly grazing the cheek of the
officer, but saving him from being swallow-
ed. A portion of his ear cut, and an abra-
sion of the skin of his dexter jaw, saving the
fright was the only damage sustained. The
captain had his hand indebted with fourteen
impressions of the fangs of the serpent, which
he considers fourteen substantial reasons for
the exercise of more prudence in future.—
Public Ledger.

INQUIRY OF AN ORPHAN FOR HIS LOST FATHER.

The following letter written by a little
orphan girl, speaks for itself. It appeared
in the Southern Religious Telegraph.

WARR VILLAGE, Oct. 13, 1837.

From H. P. Billings.
I have learned by my geography that the south-
ern people are very hospitable to travellers. I of-
ten express a wish to my mother that I could go
to Virginia, and invite some of those kind people
to help me find my dear, dear father. Mine it is
not now proper that I should go, she says that I
may write and send to the kind people in Virginia,
and ask them to make such inquiries, or on such
terms as they think proper, and I will write to
have them find my dear father.

My father's name is Daniel Billings. Four
years ago, when I was not quite half as old as I
now am, he told me he was going to Virginia. I
cried very much, and said, don't go off, father, I
do love you better than any body else since my
dear mother is dead and put in the cold grave. I
remember how he wept when he prayed by my
side the last time—he said, 'O God, bless my little
daughter, and spare our lives to see each other
again.' When he kissed me the last time his tears
fell on my cheeks, and he could hardly say, 'it is
best for me to go now, but I will come back a-
gain.'—O my dear father, why didn't he come?
Grandmother says, perhaps he is sick or damaged,
for he has not wrote to me for more than two
years. O, will not somebody tell me if he is sick?
or, if he is dead, where is his grave?—He told me
when I went to my mother's grave that I must
think her spirit now in heaven with God and the
Lamb. I do want to know if my father is there
too.

Will not some good people in Virginia write to
me something about my father—and I will daily
pray to my heavenly father to bless all those who
pity and befriend me a lonely orphan.

HARRIET F. BILLINGS.

The friends of humanity at the south will
please notice the above, penned by the
'lonely orphan,' only child of Daniel Bil-
lings, who left Barre, Mass., about four
years since, as an agent for selling Patent
Sawmill and Mill, at Richmond city, Va.
Being unsuccessful in that enterprise, he
undertook to build a machine for shoeing
rails upon the rail-road; and about two
years since, he was engaged as engineer on
the Richmond and Fredericksburg rail-road,
since which time he has not been heard of
by his friends at the north. They fear all
is not well with him, and are waiting with
anxious solicitude to learn the result. Any
communications concerning him left with
the editor, addressed to Isaac T. Babbit,
Barre, Mass., will be very gratefully re-
ceived.

ISAAC T. BABBIT.

The exquisite pathos and simplicity of
the orphan's cry, cannot fail to stir the
deepest sympathies of every feeling and un-
sophisticated heart.

If the world contains the lost parent, or
the earth covers his remains, she will surely
find him out, or learn where his grave.
The winds of heaven shall wait her ten-
der appeal, and the kindly angels of the
press spread the language of her earnest
prayer to the remotest corners of our land.
And may He who heareth the 'young ravens
when they cry,' soon send glad tidings to
lighten her solitary heart.

The circumstance would afford an admi-
rable theme for Mrs. Sigourney's sweet
 muse.

Pensioners.—The whole number of Pen-
sioners in the United States is 41,708. Of
these, 2140 are in Maine, 2037 in New
Hampshire, 4361 in Massachusetts, 2535 in
Connecticut, 904 in Rhode Island, 2497 in
Vermont, 8636 in New York, 1166 in New
Jersey, 2649 in Pennsylvania, 41 in Dela-
ware, 437 in Maryland, 2584 in Virginia,
1430 in North Carolina, 618 in S. Carolina,
532 in Georgia, 54 in Mississippi, 379 in
Alabama, 72 in Louisiana, 2059 in Ten-
nessee, 2255 in Kentucky, 2304 in Ohio,
781 in Indiana, 322 in Illinois, 263 in
Missouri, 21 in Florida, 25 in Arkansas,
175 in Michigan, 5 in Wisconsin, 142 in
District of Columbia. The number of pen-
sioners added to the list from Oct. 21, 1836,
to Oct. 21, 1837 was 2111. Deaths dur-
ing same period, 1645.

A police case has attracted great attention
in this city. The substance, is that by
forged orders from the Cashier of the Bank
of Kentucky, an engraver here, a Mr.
Stearns, of New York, and a Mr. Ames and
Mr. Pitcher, of Ohio got the plate of the
above bank, and ordered a large amount of
notes to be printed, which, in consequence
of suspicious circumstances, were not de-
livered to them, and the whole affair is dis-
covered, and the parties have been arrested
by the admission of one of their confederates.
They have already got out some Wisconsin
notes on a bank that does not exist. No
notes of the Bank of Kentucky have been
put afloat, however.—N. Y. Commercial.

A Useful Discovery.—It is said that the
difficulty always experienced in removing
horses from a building on fire, may be
overcome by throwing over their backs the
saddle or harness to which they are accus-
tomed to, when they will be led out with
the usual docility. If this be true, it should
be known very generally, as many valuable
horses are lost every year by being consumed
in burning stables.

A Novel Shipwreck.—On board the pack-
et brig Moses, this morning, as the crew
were stowing away a cask, as it was sup-
posed, of beef, the head burst out, and it was
discovered to contain the bodies of two full
grown negroes, preserved in salt. The
coroner was holding an inquest on them at
2 o'clock in the Bridewell yard.—N. Y.
Com. Adv.

Remarkable Phenomenon.—There is a man
in Vermont, who exercises so hard, that every
time he comes home, he pitches a summer-set.

of the Boston Post.—The supposed letter
is taken from the New Hampshire (Hann)
Courier of Wednesday. It is evidently
from the pen of one of the Commissioners of the
Legislature of Massachusetts, who are now
investigating the affairs of the Franklin
Bank of Boston, one of the embroiled points.
The plot is unraveling:—

Boston, Saturday, Jan. 30.

The Jackson Van Buren party have "sowed
the wind," and are "reaping the whirlwind." The
management of the pet bank is in perfect har-
mony with the political management of the party.
Acts of falsehood and perjury and swindling and
robbery are fast coming to light. Their worst
secrets have never been exposed to their motives or
conduct as infamous and criminal, as is proved by
their own confession before the investigating
Bank Committee, now actively engaged in har-
rying out the secrets of crime perpetrated in these
party institutions, which were got up by General
Jackson and his adherents to supply the place of
the United States Bank. The development of
falsehood and perjury in the examination of the
Franklin Bank now before the Legislature, affords
a fine comment upon the honesty and "critical
Christianity" of the party who have dealt so large-
ly in the epithets of "bribery," "bank corrup-
tion," "rag barons," "whig line," and sundry oth-
er favorite cant phrases, while lost are their pro-
fessions of devotion to the good of the dear people,
the "democracy of numbers." Also, that truth
will out, that humbug will explode, and political
jugglery come to light! And also, that the peo-
ple cannot be cheated forever—that empty, heart-
less, evasive professions, will not forever go down.
But so it is.

But to return to the Franklin Bank, (which by
the way, is like most or all of the rotten ones)
a Jackson pet substitute for the U. S. Bank. One
of its officers has testified under oath, before the com-
mittee of examination, that FALSE RETURNS
of its affairs have from time to time been made,
both to the U. S. States and State governments,
and at the same time sworn to be correct,—all by
the direction of the directors, and for two capital
good reasons, the one to obtain a part of the
spoils, or government deposits,—and the other to
prevent our Legislature's putting a stop to its
proceedings. This is rather a surprising disclo-
sure to those who know little about the badness
of the party. It is supposed by those who have
the best means of knowing, that after swallowing
the entire stock of the Bank, with all its property
and funds of every description, there will remain
about three hundred thousand dollars of its bills
and notes in the hands of the community, a dead
loss to the holders! The Lafayette Bank is sup-
posed to be in a condition somewhat similar, but
not so deep. So much for the Experiment!

The Commonwealth Bank of Boston.

The developments of the management of
this Bank, as a party agent, continue to
come in from other quarters than the east.
The Louisville Journal gives the following
facts in illustration of the system it pursued
in aiding its partisan favorites.

"A few weeks ago, a judgment was obtained
in the Circuit Court of this city, on a joint note
for \$3000, payable to the Commonwealth Bank
of Boston, and signed by Shadrach Pease, Jr., R. M.
Johnson, T. F. Moore, Patrick H. Pope, and Al-
bert G. Hawes. In this case an amusing incident
occurred. The case went by default, and when
the Sheriff, who is a good Jackson man, had called
out the names of the defendants, he cried out
the Judge, in an under tone, whether he should
call Martin Van Buren."

Shadrach Pease is the editor of the Louis-
ville Public Advertiser, a Van Buren paper.
Richard M. Johnson is the Vice President,
T. P. Moore is the late Jackson Minister to
Colombia, Patrick H. Pope and Albert G.
Hawes are ex-members of Congress, rejected
by the people. The whole batch, prin-
cipal and securities, are partisans. The
Commonwealth Bank received the govern-
ment money at Boston. We see how it
has been distributed."

A complimentary well Deserved.—and an
example worthy of Imitation.—We have
already alluded to the many excellent im-
promptu sentiments produced at the Edito-
rial Festival—and now express our regret
that they were not gathered up for publica-
tion. There is one, however, which de-
serves to be rescued from oblivion, as well
for the just compliment which it pays to
the memory of an illustrious man, as for the
good example which it inculcates.

Mr. T. W. White, of the Messenger, be-
ing prevented by recent domestic affliction
from attending the festival, transmitted the
following toast:

Chief Justice Marshall.—Justly revered for his
many virtues and unimpaired integrity. One trait
in his character deserves universal adoption by
newspaper editors. He never suffered himself to
be in arrears to the periodical for which he sub-
scribed.—Richmond Whig.

Worthy of Note.—It is a fact worthy of
record, that only one of the Governors of
eighteen States who have delivered their
messages to the several legislatures, since
the call of the special session of Congress,
has decided in favor of the Sub-Treasury
—and that one is the Governor of Alabama,
formerly a devoted Bank man.—N. York
Whig.

"These Lips so Sweet."—Rats it seems,
know what's good, as well as other people.
A maiden lady was awakened from her de-
licious sleep, the other night in this town,
by very familiar carresses from somebody.
She found, to her horror, that a large rat
had fastened himself upon her lips, and it
was with great difficulty she could disengage
him! This is fact, not fiction, and the in-
credulous can see the print of his teeth up-
on her virgin mouth even now!—[North-
ampton Courier.

The Lowell Journal says: "It would
seem as if the touch of this administration
was a Miasma touch." We wish it was
so; but, in fact, so far from turning every-
thing it touches to gold, every thing this
administration lays its hands upon, turns to
bitter ashes, like the apple of the dead
sea.—Salem Gazette.

Latest From Florida.

From Florida.—The steam mailer
Gen. Taylor, which left here from Gen-
eral's Ferry. From Capt. D. we derive the
following intelligence.

Lieut. Powell with about thirty men, in-
cluding regulars, landed at Fort Mifflin, and
took a square; also told them who would en-
ter them where the Indians were encamped,
which was about seven miles off. Lieut.
Powell attacked them, the Indians returned
the fire with a great deal of spirit, when the
military ran and had it not been for the mil-
itary, they would have all been cut to pieces.
All the officers were wounded. Lieut.
Leitch of Charleston, S. C. was killed.
The steam boats Charleston, Wm. Gamble
and James Boatwright, were at St. Johns
River, waiting for favorable weather, in pre-
pared to Indian river, where they were as-
sailed by Gen. Jump.

More Indian Depredations.—An express
arrived in this place, on Wednesday morn-
ing last, (says the Tallahassee Watchman,
of the 20th inst.) with the intelligence that
the houses of Mr. Walker and another gen-
tleman, at Shell Point were attacked by the
Indians on the night previous, and con-
sumed. The occupants made their escape, at
the same night and about the same time
near Holloman's store, 19 or 20 miles from
this place, an attack was made upon the
houses of two gentlemen, named Smith and
Jones. One of them escaped unhurt, the other
received several balls, but finally escaped.
A child, however, was killed and consumed.
Both houses were burned. We have not
learned the particulars of this affair; but
think these depredations were committed
by the fugitive Creek, and others by the
Seminole. The Gov. has ordered a Detach-
ment to take place, we learn, on Monday next,
in this county, and also in Jefferson, for the
purpose of raising men to protect the front-
iers.

Since writing the above, we learn that
on Friday night, an out house of Col. Mc-
rate, about 18 miles from this place, was
fired, and the tenant wounded. We have
not been able to obtain the particulars.

DEATH OF ONEOLA.

This far famed Chief paid the debt of na-
ture at Sullivan's Island on Tuesday night.
He had been sick for some time—when we
saw him at the Theatre, he looked sad and
tired of the world. He was attacked with
a catarrhal fever, but whether he felt a re-
laxation to the common course of the disease,
to the harassments of a vexed and dis-
appointed spirit, in matter of doubt—probably
a combination of the two. He had the best
medical attendance, and we believe, was
nothing neglected—but it would not do—his
pride and unconquerable spirit refused to
be chained to a captive body. We would not
write his epitaph or his funeral oration, yet
there is something in the character of the
man not unworthy of the respect of the world.
From a vagabond child, he became the suc-
cessor of a king and desperate war. He
made himself—no man owed him respect.
Bold and decisive in action, deadly but
consistent in hatred, dark in revenge, cool, ca-
lib, sagacious in council he established gen-
erally and surely a resistless ascendancy over
his adopted tribe, by the daring of his deeds,
the constancy of his hostility to the whites,
and the profound craft of his policy. In
council he spoke little—he made the other
chiefs his instruments, and what they de-
livered in public was the secret suggestion
of the invisible monitor. Such was Oneola,
who will be long remembered as the man
that with the feeblest means produced the
most terrible effects.—Charleston Mercury.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.

Mail Contracts.—The advertisement
of Mail contracts in the southern section, en-
compassing the States of Virginia, North Car-
olina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida
Territory, for four and a half years com-
mencing on the first day of January, 1838,
will soon be prepared in the Post Office de-
partment.

The Department would be happy to re-
ceive suggestions from members of Congress
and others, of any improvements which may
be made in those States in the transportation
of the mails, either as to the route on which
it should be carried, the frequency of trip,
the mode of conveyance, the manner of con-
nection between different routes, or any oth-
er particulars.

Letters suggesting improvements should
be addressed to R. B. Hobbes, Esq. Compt.
Office, Post Office Department.

Publishers of newspapers in the States
named, would confer a favor on the Depart-
ment and the public by giving this notice an
insertion.

From the New Orleans American, Jan. 23.

FIRE—THREE STEAMBOATS BURNED.
About one o'clock this morning a fire
broke out in the Steamboat Marmora, lying
at the foot of Girard st. and in a short time
two adjacent boats, the Columbia and the
Chickasaw, were wrapped in flames. The
Marmora was loaded with cotton. We did
not learn how the fire originated.

Twenty houses were destroyed by fire in
the city of New York on the 20th ult. Four
buildings were destroyed on Fifth street e-
leven on Avenue D, and five on Sixth street.

"Who is that ragged and forlorn critter,
yonder, Jack?" said a countryman. "Why,
that's the Printer he's just returning from a
darning expedition."

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Charlotte

Friday, February 18, 1838.

CPA man by the name of Higginbotham was arrested in this town, last week for robbing a Jeweller's store, in Columbus, Ga. of a large number of articles, consisting of Gold Watches, Bracelets, &c. We understand that soon after the robbery Higginbotham was arrested on suspicion and examined, but he had so concealed the articles as to elude discovery. After remaining 4 or 5 weeks about Columbus he went off and commenced selling the Jewellery and Watches, and by good luck some of the Watches fell into the hands of the Jeweller, who had the individual having the Watch arrested, and by this circumstance he found out who had his property—he went in pursuit and traced Higginbotham towards this town—expecting to find him in this neighborhood he obtained from the Governor of Georgia a demand on the Governor of this State for him, who ordered his arrest—he was apprehended and taken to Georgia to await his trial. The amount of property said to be taken was \$6000, part of which was recovered—the gold chains, and perhaps other articles, were melted up and deposited in the Mint for coinage.

Our readers are apprized that the House of Representatives have decided that Messrs. Claiborne and Gibson are not entitled to seats as Members of the 25th Congress from Mississippi. The House have also decided, by a vote of 119 to 116, that Messrs. Prentiss and Ward are not entitled to seats, and that a new election must be held by the people of Mississippi for Members to Congress. The following is the vote on rejecting Messrs. Claiborne and Gibson, which varies very little from votes on the other parts of the question:

YEAS—Messrs. Adams, Alexander, Heman Allen, John W. Allen, Ayers, Bell, Biddle, Bond, Borden, Briggs, W. B. Caldwell, J. Calhoun, Wm. B. Campbell, Wm. B. Carter, Chambers, Chastain, Childs, Cleverly, Coffin, Corwin, Cranston, Crockett, Curtis, Cushing, Darlington, Dawson, Davy, Delany, Dennis, Dunn, Elmore, Evans, Everett, Ewing, R. Fletcher, Fillmore, Rice Garland, Goode, James Graham, Wm. Graham, Grantland, Graves, Greenwell, Griffin, Hall, Harlan, Harper, Hastings, Howe, Henry, Herrod, Hoffman, Hopkins, R. M. T. Hunter, J. H. Johnson, W. C. Johnson, Lawler, Lewis, Lincoln, Lyne, Mallory, Marvin, J. M. Mason, S. Mason, May, Maxwell, McKay, McKenney, Monette, Mercer, Milligan, Mitchell, M. Morris, C. Morris, Naylor, Noyes, Ogle, Patterson, Putnam, Pugh, Pickett, Pope, Potts, Radford, Randolph, Reid, Rencher, Richardson, Ridgway, Robertson, Rumsey, Russell, Sawyer, A. H. Shepherd, C. Shepard, Shields, Shilley, Blake, Southgate, Stanley, Stone, Stratton, Telford, Thompson, Tillinghast, Toland, Underwood, A. S. White, J. White, E. Whitteley, Lewis Williams, A. Williams, J. L. Williams, C. H. Williams, Wise, Withers, York—119.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Andrews, Atherton, Beatty, Burns, Bicknell, Birdsell, Bonn, Bondin, Broadhead, Branson, Bryson, Buchanan, Byrum, Cambriching, J. Campbell, T. J. Carter, Casey, Chasney, Chipman, Clifley, Clark, Cleveland, Coleman, Connor, Craig, Cray, Cushman, Devere, De Graff, Drummond, Dutton, Edwards, Farrington, Fairfield, F. Fletcher, Foster, Fry, Gallop, J. Garland, Glascock, Grant, Gray, Halliley, Hammond, Harrison, Hasbain, Haynes, Holley, Holt, B. Howard, Hubley, Wm. H. Hunter, Ingram, T. B. Jackson, James Jackson, J. Johnson, N. Jones, J. W. Jones, Kemble, Klingensmith, Lagere, Leadbetter, Logan, Loomis, Martin, R. McClellan, A. McClellan, McClure, McKim, Miller, Montgomery, Moore, Morgan, S. W. Morris, Muhlenburg, Murray, Noble, Owens, Palmer, Parker, Parvett, Paynter, Pennington, Petre, Phelps, Plumer, Potter, Pratt, Prentiss, Reiley, Rice, Sheffield, Shapler, Smith, Snyder, Spencer, Stuart, Taylor, Thomas, Titus, Toucey, Turner, Vail, Vandever, Wagner, Webster, Webb, T. T. Whitteley, J. W. Williams, Withers, York—112.

WORTHY FRONTIER—Orange Indians. The Hospital Commercial Advertiser of the 18th inst., we learn, that a party of about one hundred Orange Indians have made another descent upon the militia, and are committing outrages upon the militia in Van Buren county. It is said the militia will again have to be sent out for the purpose of expelling them from the State.—(St. Louis Bulletin.)

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CPA Meeting—James Trotter, (V. R.) has been elected to the Board to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Judge Black. The vote was Trotter 50, Kelly 30, Thomas 20. No election was held for the next year, which commences in March 1838.

PUBLIC MEETING IN SEETIE.
On Saturday the 20th of January, in pursuance of previous notice, one of the largest and most respectable meetings of the people of this county ever held, assembled at the Courtroom in Windsor, to take into consideration the proceedings of the Abolitionists. Dr. Alex. W. Nelson was called to the Chair, and L. R. Webb appointed Secretary. The object of the meeting was explained in a most appropriate manner by the Chairman. Eloquent and impressive speeches were made by Wm. W. Cherry, Jas. Allen, David Outlaw, Lewis Bond and others. They were in the spirit called for by the occasion, and were temperate, but firm and decided. Mr. Cherry introduced the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That a committee of five persons be appointed by the Chairman of this meeting to draw up a preamble and resolutions to be submitted to the consideration of an adjourned meeting to be held in the Courtroom on the second Monday of February next, and that in the meanwhile public notice be given of said meeting in every district in the county.

The resolution was adopted, and the following gentlemen appointed as said committee: Wm. W. Cherry, James Allen, Collin Capehart, Dr. John Haywood, and David Outlaw. The following resolutions were submitted by James Allen, Esq.

Resolved, That a committee of fifty be appointed by the Chair, to digest a plan for calling a Convention of the People of North Carolina on the subject of Abolition movements in the non-slaveholding States in regard to slavery, and that they make report to the adjourned meeting to be held in February next.

The resolution was adopted, and the following gentlemen appointed to compose the committee, viz: Col. Joseph B. G. Roulhac, Dr. John R. Gilliam, George B. Outlaw, Lewis Bond, N. H. Thompson, Jonathan S. Taylor, Willie J. Gilliam, William Moring, John Hardy, David Ryan, James V. Reid, Solomon Cherry, Thomas Reddick, John B. Williams, Harry Nicholas, Miles Bagley, James R. Hayner, Jonathan R. Webb, George W. Capehart, Harry Rayner, Aaron Askew, Thomas Henry, John Freeman, Marcus C. Ryan, Thos. Bond, Geo. Holly, Alpha Lawrence, Thos. C. Watson, Dr. John W. Bond, John A. Sutton, Joseph B. Cherry, Jerry Tyler, William Britton, John G. Roulhac, Thomas Gilliam, George O. Askew, John Askew, Jos. Leary, R. J. Freeman, David Holly, Thomas O. Nichols, John W. Peterson, E. Watson, James Gill, Edmund Dunstan, Jas. L. Webb, and William D. Valentine.

Resolved, That the said committee be directed to open a correspondence with such persons as they shall think proper to accomplish the said object.

On motion of Wm. W. Cherry, Esq. the Chairman and Secretary of this meeting were added to each of the foregoing committees.

On motion it was ordered, that the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and published in the newspapers of the State.

On motion the meeting then adjourned, until the second Monday in February next.

MR. RIVES SUBSTITUTE.
Is inserted in the Whig to-day. The system proposed by it, appears from a cursory examination, not to be materially variant from the Pat Scheme, which has exploded. The two most important points of difference are, that by the Substitute, the number of Depositories is limited to 25—and to be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury, the selections to be approved by joint resolution of both Houses of Congress.

In other respects, the scheme is essentially the one, which has just convulsed the nation. The Banks are to be under the control of the Secretary, who is authorized to require of them additional security at any time; and they are to be privileged to use the public money at libitum.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE.
The Trustees of Davidson College, having attended the examination of the Students on the 20th and 21st of January 1838, would respectfully present the following

REPORT.
The number of Students at the close of the session was 62. Their examinations were highly satisfactory to the Trustees, and to those who attended it, and was sustained by the Board as very honorable to the Teachers and Pupils. The most pleasing evidence was given that the Trustees in this Institution are well qualified and fully enabled to give instruction and thorough instruction. It is with great pleasure that the Trustees express the public, that the high expectations formed in reference to the course of instruction in this College have been fully answered. They are very confident that when the talent, diligence and fidelity now displayed in giving instruction, shall be aided by the proper facilities of illustration and confirming it, which a Library and proper apparatus will afford, that our College will hold very honorable distinction among the many noble Seminaries of Learning in our country.

It certainly demands thankfulness to God, that an Institution of Learning, founded on principles so well worthy of the highest commendation, should in so short a space of time, receive such general and cheering tokens of public confidence as those which have marked the rise and progress of Davidson College. The voice of regret is heard from all quarters, that rooms for the accommodation of Students are not finished as rapidly as they are demanded. Better evidence could not be given than has been received, that the community in which this College is located feel there need of its privileges and are fully disposed to improve them.

With regard to discipline, great care is taken to render it kind and parental in its exercise, but firm and decided in its opposition to vice and disorder. No rules of order are laid down but such as are evidently right and necessary, and a faithful adherence to them, is vigilantly demanded.

The most abundant and satisfactory evidence has been received, that the Manual Labor performed by the Students, contributes very much to their good health, and lessens very considerably the expenses of their education. In addition to the labor of cultivating a crop upon all the land open for tillage on the farm, a number of good houses have been built, and over forty acres of land cleared by the Students during the last year.

The following resolutions were passed by the Board of Trustees.

Resolved, That it be considered improper for Students who are minors, to contract debts without the express permission of their Parents or Guardians; and that those persons who give them credit contrary to this rule, should be suffered to sustain all the losses connected with such unlawful trades.

Resolved, That the price of Boarding for the next year be fixed at seven dollars per month.

Resolved, That the same deductions from the price of Boarding, be allowed to the Students for their labor, for the next year, which have been given for the last year.

The allowances for labor are as follows:
To Students fully grown and able to work \$15 by the session.
To those of second size \$12 by the session.
To the smallest boys \$8 by the session.

These deductions being made, the prices of Boarding will be \$20, \$23, and \$26 by the session of five months.

PRICE OF TUITION.
For the Languages and Sciences \$15 per session.
For the English branches \$10 per session.
Payments for Tuition and Boarding, to be made in advance.
No charges are made for rooms or fuel.
From these items it is manifest, that Davidson College is such the cheapest Institution of the kind, at least in the South, and perhaps in any part of our country.

lost against any individual, whereby the public revenues shall be subjected to pecuniary loss, or in any other than the common circulating medium of the country—and declaring that in the opinion of the Legislature, the Senators and Representatives from that State in Congress, would best consult the interests of the people of New York by rejecting the passage of the Sub-Treasury bill by their votes and speeches.

Disastrous Fire.—Cook's splendid Theatre and Circus, in Baltimore, were totally destroyed by fire on Saturday morning last, together with all the horses, ponies, dogs, goats, and deer, with scenery, dresses, &c. The Circus was one of the largest in the world, being capable of accommodating 3000 persons. The loss is estimated at \$50,000 dollars, and falls upon Mr. Cook exclusively.

MARRIED.
In this town, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. J. J. Leavenworth, Dr. WASHINGTON DUNLAP, of Lancasterville, N. C., to Mrs. DELIA ALLEN ANDER.

In the vicinity of Salisbury, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. Thomas Davis, JOHN B. LORD, Esq., of Columbia, N. C., to Miss ANN FERRAND, daughter of the late Dr. Stephen Ferrand.

In Calhoun county, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. John G. Witherspoon, Mr. SAMUEL BLA-LOCK, of Lincoln county, to Miss REBECCA, daughter of Nathaniel Sims, Esq.

DIED.
In York District, S. C., on the 7th of December last, the Rev. ROBERT MUSH, an Indian, in the 83d year of his age. He the morning he appeared in his usual health and walk out to attend to some business, when he was observed by some of his family to fall—assistance was immediately rendered and he was taken to the house, where he soon after expired without a groan. He was in the Revolutionary War and fought many hard battles for the country—he was taken prisoner in Charleston. After peace he returned to Virginia his native State, where the Lord was pleased to call him to fill an office in his service—he lost no time in earning money for his family. He was a member for a number of years of Flint Hill Church, and died beloved and respected by all his members.—Communicated.

UNRIVALED ATTRACTION.
Monsieur Bouche, Pupil of the Celebrated M. de Paris, Celebrated Magician, INFORMS the citizens of Charlotte and its vicinity, that after having travelled through England, France, and many other parts of Europe and also America, and having been favored with the greatest applause by the most distinguished societies, he will endeavor to please and gratify all the lovers of amusement, and all others who will honor him with their presence, by an exhibition, during Court week, of his

Magical Experiments.
He considers himself unrivalled in this or any other country, by the variety of his experiments (and the collection of his Magical Instrument and their rarity) some of which have never been performed in this country except by himself. Among his experiments, the following will comprise a part, The Wonderful Snuff Box, The Chinese Palace, The French Confiscure, Washington in different costumes.

For further particulars, see handbills, which will mention the time of performance. Admission 50 cents; Children under 12 years half price. Feb. 12, 1838.

Every Man for Himself!
JUST received and for sale, by Williams & Boyd, [at the Post Office,] a general assortment of fresh

Garden Seeds, raised in Pennsylvania, warranted genuine, and the crop of 1837.

An assortment of Peas and Beans and some Early Corn, new article. Charlotte, Feb. 12, 1838. 167

man," replied the sexton; "I never heard any harm of him. He brought a great farm there in his youth, and he was a good man. His old neighbors wonder how he managed to grow so rich." The traveler made no remark; but observing that he had some knowledge and taste for anatomy, begged leave to keep the skull. His wish was readily granted. On his return to the inn, the landlord corroborated the story he had heard from the sexton, without being aware that his guest had any peculiar motives for inquiring. Having ascertained where a justice resided, the traveler waited upon him and made known the circumstances that had come under his observation. The Squire was personally acquainted with the former landlord, and agreed to accompany the traveler to his farm. They were very hospitably received, and urged to remain through the night. "You seem to be a very prosperous man; every thing looks in thriving order," said the Squire. "Yes," replied the farmer, "Providence has blessed me in all my undertakings." "Providence bless you!" exclaimed the Squire, suddenly holding up the skull before him. "Hav't the spirit of darkness helped you? Look at this nail!" The guilty man turned as pale as a corpse, and covering his face with his hands, trembled violently. He confessed his crime, and was executed. He had been tempted by the sight of a large sum of money, which the imprudent traveler had opened before him; he had mixed laudanum with his evening draught, and had then murdered him in his sleep. A few articles of value were left undisturbed in the chamber; and as the wound had been carefully washed, and covered with hair, the physicians were of opinion that he must have died in a fit. For six years the crime remained undiscovered; his murderer thrived upon his ill gotten wealth; and had not the toad moved the skull, he might have gone to his grave unsuspected. So mysterious are the workings of Providence!

A TRUE STORY.
Extract from a lecture on Popular Delusions delivered before the Young People's Institute, Providence.
A gentleman of my acquaintance, in other respects a very intelligent person, was a firm believer in ghosts. He had a brother who resided in Boston, as head clerk in a mercantile establishment in that city. The gentleman related to me the following narrative, as a means of removing my scepticism on the subject.
"My brother, said he, was seized with a disorder in his head. At night he retired to bed at an early hour, and laying the books and papers of which he had charge, on a table at the side of his bed, which was his usual practice disposed himself for slumber, after having extinguished his light. In a few minutes, he was astonished to see his room brilliantly illuminated; and, on looking up, beheld a lady approaching him, with a bright burning lamp in her hand. His first impulse was that of terror. His next, the thought that some one in disguise, had entered for the purpose of robbery;—and he involuntarily reached forth his hand, to protect his employer's property on the table.
The apparition however, approached the bedside, looking the young man steadily in the face for a short time, then vanished, and left him again in total darkness.
The second and third nights, the same vision was repeated. The young man became restless and melancholy;—immediately returned home to his brother's house;—continued to grow more unwell;—was confined to his bed by a raging fever;—and in defiance of medical skill, was finally attacked with delirium;—and in the course of a few weeks, died a raving maniac."
This is one of the most striking, and best authenticated cases of which I have ever read, or heard. My friend religiously believed the vision a warning to his brother of his disease and death. Not so with me. The first item in the narrative was an ample key to the entire mystery. The disorder in the head commenced first;—the brain was affected;—the mind was diseased;—imagination, perhaps in the incipient stage of a confused slumber, created the vision;—the impression made on the mind caused its repetition, and which would probably have continued but for change of scene;—the conviction of reality produced melancholy, and increased the malady;—and finally, what was supposed a warning, but which was in fact, the effect of disease, doubtless proved one cause of accelerating the prostration of reason and the work of death.

The Real Ass.—An innkeeper in England requested Lord Wellington to permit him to place his portrait over the door of his house, which was hitherto known as the sign of the ass; his lordship having consented, the new sign was hung up in due form, but a knowing one in the same line of business, hoisted up the old sign over his door; and the sign of the ass being a well known stopping place for travellers poured in at the new establishment, to the great regret and mortification of the Wellington host, who to prevent utter desertion wrote under the portrait of the noble duke, "this is the real ass."

Knowing French.—"Tom, do you know French?" "Yes, very well by sight, but have no speaking acquaintance with it."

A man had better be poisoned in his blood than in his principles.

GOING INTO BUSINESS TOO YOUNG.
It has been the wisdom of experienced men, that a young man make a great mistake by entering into business too early in life. Of the number who begin thus have few succeed! They launch off upon an untried sea, without a compass, rudder or anchor, and they are soon tossed about at the mercy of every contending billow, or finally dashed in ruin upon some jagged rock.
To face the World, you must know the World. The youth who bounces by a single bound into the arena of commercial contention and competition, finds himself outbid by old marksmen in the exciting contest. He may let upon the issue, and with each loss be only the more excited by laying down his stakes, but he soon dies forlorn game, to the practical artists.
Proper ambition should not be checked; but let the youth learn the World ere he undertakes to be of the World. Get its wisdom: aye, get its worldly wisdom, for it is necessary to carry you successfully over the ocean of adventure.
More young men are ruined by rushing too precipitately into business—getting involved in debt, and finally breaking down under the load than in any other way. They are apt to go too fast for their prospects, and then their prospects go too fast for them. They should be enterprising but not fool hardy. They should aspire but not ascend at once to the clouds, for all aerial voyages are apt to float as mere "castles in the air."
A school boy being asked by his teacher how he should flag him, replied, "If you please, sir, I should like to have it upon the Italian system of pennmanship the heavy strokes upwards, and the down ones light."
"Have you Goldenrod's Greece?" said a gentleman on entering a book-store in Market street. "No, sir; but they have some excellent bear's oil in the next door," replied the counter-boy.
Among the beam, merit begets envy; among the noble, emulation.

In these Hard Times!
WE think it the duty of every man to use every laudable exertion to make a support for his family. Taking this view of the matter, we have recently purchased in the cities of Philadelphia and New York a general assortment of
MEDICINES,
and the same are just received. We are now prepared to furnish our friends with any article in this line of common use. All orders will be attended to, if they come from a proper source.
In purchasing our Stock, we have not been unmindful of those who believe in the superiority of the **Botanic Practice.** We have a general assortment in this line also, and will be glad to sell to our friends at any time.
Charlotte, Jan. 25, 1838.
N. B. J. D. Boyd will give his particular attention to this business whenever called on to do so. Prescriptions from Physicians will meet with prompt attention. Families can be supplied at short notice, with the various preparations commonly wanted.

Lost by Mail,
BETWEEN Charlotte, N. C. and McLeansville, Tenn., the right hand end of a Twenty Dollar Note on the Bank of the United States, payable at Fayetteville to John W. Sandford, No. 489, Letter B, W. McIlvane, Cashier, N. Biddle, President. The letter was mailed the 17th April, 1836.
Jan. 24, 1838.
WM. REED

Notice!!
TO avoid giving sharp notices, we will just say to the public and those who have so liberally patronized us since we came among you, that we are very much obliged to you. But you will bring us under still greater obligations by calling on us and closing your accounts with CASH.
We have still on hands a superior
Stock of Goods,
which we will sell low, on time to punctual dealers, and still lower to such as pay cash.
TAYLOR & CHAFFIN.
Charlotte, Jan. 16, 1838.

NOTICE.
H. B. Brevard, Esq., I now have and will continue to keep constantly on hand, a large and general assortment of **IRON,** at his usual prices, for cash, either by the wholesale or retail. Orders from a distance, giving a description of the iron wanted, will be promptly attended to.
Jan. 17, 1838.
LEROY SPRINGS.

NOTICE.
ALL those indebted to Evan Hagler by Book Account, are hereby notified that the Books are in my hands as trustee; and the said Evan Hagler assigned his books to the use of Messrs. Morrison & Harris, for a debt due by him to them, on the 15th day of October, 1837, and no effort will be taken since that date.
N. C. OWENS, Trustee.
N. B. All those indebted, are requested to make payment, by Cash or Note, immediately, as the business must and shall be closed, and those that do not settle by the 1st day of February, their accounts will be handed out for collection.
N. C. OWENS, Trustee.
Jan. 6, 1838.

TO OUR COUNTRYMEN!
H. B. Brevard, Esq., I now have and will continue to keep constantly on hand, a large and general assortment of **IRON,** at his usual prices, for cash, either by the wholesale or retail. Orders from a distance, giving a description of the iron wanted, will be promptly attended to.
Jan. 17, 1838.
LEROY SPRINGS.

NOTICE.
ALL persons indebted to the late firm of Springs & Dinkins, are respectfully requested to pay off their Notes, or sell will be instituted on the same, as the concern must now be closed.
LEROY SPRINGS,
Sole Agent for SPRINGS & DINKINS.
Jan. 2, 1838.

NOTICE.
THOSE indebted to me for their last year's accounts, are respectfully requested to come forward and close them either by Cash or Note. I would take this opportunity of tendering my sincere thanks to the good people of Mecklenburg and the adjoining Counties, for their liberal patronage the past year.
LEROY SPRINGS.
Jan. 2, 1838.

NEW FIRM.
ALEXANDER & JANISON
TENDER their services as Tailors to the public. No exertion shall be wanting on their part to give general satisfaction to those who may favor them with their patronage.
All work done in their establishment warranted to fit well, and made in the most durable manner.
A fair trial is all they wish to secure public confidence.
THOS. A. ALEXANDER,
JAS. JANISON.
Charlotte, January, 1838.
N. B. Corn, Flour, Pork, Butter, &c. taken in payment for work. A. & J.

WILLIAM W. GRAY'S
INVULNERABLE OINTMENT,
For Ulcers, Tumors, &c.
Can now be obtained of the Patents, at the Office of the Raleigh Register.
Single Pot, 1 dollar—One dozen, 9 dollars.
WILLIAM W. GRAY.
Raleigh, October 4th, 1836.

ANOTHER GREAT CURE!
Raleigh, September 21, 1836.
I am now 50 years of age—when in my 17th year, I received a wound on my left leg, which became ulcerated, and continued so until the first of March last. I would occasionally heal up, and then break out again; but most of the time, it was in a very painful condition, the sore having extended to a large size, and became very deep. I tried many remedies to make a cure, without success, until I applied Gray's Invulnerable Ointment, two pots of which have effectually cured my leg, and reduced it to its natural size. The cure would have been made much sooner, had I strictly attended to the directions for the use of the Ointment; but this I failed to do, while I took much exercise, and very immoderately used tight bandage. My leg has been well for more than six months, during which time, I have walked much, yet it remains firm and free from all soreness or inflammation. After having been afflicted for a period of forty-one years, I now enjoy the benefit of a sound leg again.
LEWIS HOLLAMAN.

NEW CABINET SHOP.
THE Subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Charlotte and its vicinity that he has commenced the
Cabinet Making Business,
at his house, four doors east of the Carriage Shop, where he is prepared to make all articles in the above line, on the shortest notice. Having employed good workmen, he will warrant his work to be as well done, as low, and as durable, as any ever made in this place. All he wishes is a fair trial to ensure a share of the public favor.
The subscriber intending to work for Cash only, request all persons wishing Furniture of any description to call and see him.
ARCHIBALD HILL.
Dec. 6, 1836.
N. B. All articles in the above business repaired on the shortest notice.

JOB PRINTING
Neatly executed at this Office.

THE CHARLESTON GOODS.
We are now receiving
SW Fall & Winter Goods,
bought for CASH only, together with large stock of
GROCERIES.
Some of a superior quality to what is usually kept in this market.
All kinds of COUNTRY PRODUCE taken for Goods.
A good quality of COTTON will be bought at the regular market price, inferior article must all be taken up, trade can be effected and that at a low rate. No purchase of Cotton can be made, unless a large and fair sample be brought. Cotton delivered.
We honestly believe, that owing to high rate of exchange, expense, &c. the Charleston Goods are much the cheapest.
MORRISON & HARRIS.
No. 23, 1837.

NEW FIRM!
THE Subscriber respectfully informs the Public, that they have entered into business, for the purpose of carrying on the
Watch & Jewellery Business.
We invite the attention of the public to our present Stock of Goods, which we sell low for Cash. All kinds of work done at the Shortest Notice.
TROTTER & ALEXANDER.
No. 23, 1837.
Thos. Trotter returns his thanks to the Public for their support and respectfully vites their custom to the above firm, would here remind those indebted to his Note or Book account that it is now due, that the same should be settled by without delay, as he cannot give large indulgence.

Wrapping Paper
It keeps for Sale at Wm. Carson's on reasonable terms.
Oct. 2, 1837.

The Markets, &c.
FAYETTEVILLE—FEB. 1
Brandy, French, 25 & 30, Peaches, 10 & 11, Apples, 10 & 11, Malaga, 10 & 11, Raisins, 10 & 11, Currants, 10 & 11, Sugar, 10 & 11, Coffee, 10 & 11, Tea, 10 & 11, Spices, 10 & 11, &c.
CHERAW—FEB. 6
Rice, 10 & 11, Corn, 10 & 11, Flour, 10 & 11, Sugar, 10 & 11, Coffee, 10 & 11, Tea, 10 & 11, Spices, 10 & 11, &c.
COLUMBIA—JAN. 27
Rice, 10 & 11, Corn, 10 & 11, Flour, 10 & 11, Sugar, 10 & 11, Coffee, 10 & 11, Tea, 10 & 11, Spices, 10 & 11, &c.
CHARLESTON—FEB. 1
Rice, 10 & 11, Corn, 10 & 11, Flour, 10 & 11, Sugar, 10 & 11, Coffee, 10 & 11, Tea, 10 & 11, Spices, 10 & 11, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.
MURDER WILL OUT.
The excitement of all classes of people concerning the atrocious Salem murder, has naturally led to a great number of stories connected with similar subjects. The following, which I heard in conversation a few evenings since, is a striking illustration how the providence of God can defeat the cunning and caution of man.—How often have the most trivial circumstances led to the discovery of great crimes! In the Salem murder, the omission of the little word "If," on the outside of a letter, led to the discovery of a transaction which the vigilance of an excited community had been unable to detect;—in the case I am about to relate, a toad discovered a murder!
A gentleman travelling in England stopped at a village tavern to dine. The inn happened to be opposite a churchyard; and while he was waiting for his dinner, he took a fancy to stroll into it, to read the epitaphs, and talk with the sexton whom he saw at work there.
After some conversation, he remarked to the sexton, "But you are disturbing the dead, my good friend; here are bones you have thrown out." "The ground is so crowded, that it is impossible to avoid it sometimes," replied the sexton; "and in this case no body's feelings will be hurt. This is the skull of a stranger, who died here suddenly, and none of his relations ever came to enquire about him." "Where did he die?" asked the traveller. "He died at that place yonder where a thorn used to be kept. Five or six years ago he arrived at the inn towards night, ate a hearty supper, went to bed apparently in good health, and was found dead next morning. His papers gave no clue to his name or place of residence; and no one ever came to claim his clothes, watch, &c. which were found in his chamber. The physicians thought he died of a fit in the night time."
"Poor fellow, he had a melancholy fate," exclaimed the traveller, looking at the bones. As he spoke, he observed the skull rock to and fro, with a sudden motion; he took it up to examine the cause, and perceived that a lead had lodged in it. In attempting to thrust the creature out, he struck his finger against a nail! This excited his curiosity; and on close examination, he perceived that a nail had been driven through the back part of the skull. He did not make his discovery known to the sexton; but in the course of conversation, inquired what sort of character the landlord had borne, and whether he still resided at the house he had pointed out. "He is a thrifty money getting